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For: METHODS OF MODULATING AN IMMUNE
RESPONSE USING IMMUNOSTIMULATORY
SEQUENCES AND COMPOSITIONS FOR
USE THEREIN

Examiner: S. Foley

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated June 13, 2005 (Paper No. Mail Date 695), for which a response was due on September 13, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to December 13, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Notice of Appeal along with the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.